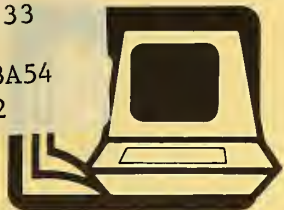


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## A GUIDE TO ACQUIRING USDA'S ECONOMICS PUBLICATIONS

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Most USDA publications are no longer free—not even to libraries. Even when they were free, finding out what titles were available was a big problem. Now that you have to pay, it is even more important to know what is available for allocating your acquisitions budget. Three agencies, Economic Research Service (ERS), Statistical Reporting Service (SRS), and World Agricultural Outlook Board (WAOB), prepare catalogs of titles to help you find out what publications they have produced and where you can buy them and although we can no longer send you the publications free, we will be happy to send you these catalogs. Just send us the enclosed coupon. In the rest of this article we try to acquaint you with the publications activities of those three agencies.

Some libraries still receive free publications. Depository libraries can receive a copy of every report printed by the Government Printing Office (GPO), including ERS, SRS, and WAOB reports. GPO will provide either paper or microfiche copies, at the choice of the library, and the library must tell GPO what subjects it is interested in. If you work in a depository library and are not receiving copies of those reports, let GPO know that you want them. In addition, a free copy of every report produced by ERS and WAOB is sent to all land-grant college libraries (including those of 1890 institutions). If your library should be receiving such reports but is not, let us know (see address on coupon or telephone numbers at the end of this article).

### Where to Buy

The sales outlets vary according to the arrangements made by each agency.

ERS. All periodicals and many research reports can be purchased from GPO. All publications can be purchased from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), part of the U.S. Department of Commerce.

SRS. Everything can be purchased either from GPO or SRS. Send us the coupon enclosed to receive list of titles available.

WAOB. Its publication, World Supply and Demand Estimates, can be purchased from GPO for \$30/year.

### Buying in Bulk

GPO offers a 25 percent discount for purchases of more than 100 copies of a single title. GPO also offers deposit accounts; customers with deposit accounts can telephone in their orders and receive quicker service than regular mail order customers.

NTIS has standing orders for microfiche sales by subject (like agriculture and food) for deposit account customers. That means such customers will automatically receive microfiche copies of reports as soon as they become available and the deposit account will be debited. NTIS also offers Abstract newsletters, again by subject matter, at about \$80/year.

## Automatic Ship- ments from GPO a Possibility

In the future, you may be able to receive some publications automatically from GPO. If enough libraries are interested, GPO may establish a "standing order" for some series. That means that each time an Agricultural Economic Report (U.S. Peanut Industry, for example) comes off press, GPO will automatically send you the report and debit your account. (To participate in this service, you will have to set up a GPO deposit account or let GPO bill your VISA or MasterCard account.) That way, you will be sure to receive every issue in the series without the trouble of sending in separate orders and writing many small checks.

If your institution is interested in purchasing reports this way, be sure to check the box on the enclosed coupon. We'll forward the responses to GPO. If demand is sufficient for GPO to set up a standing order for you; it will help GPO gauge the demand for such a service. The final decision of whether or not to establish standing orders is GPO's.

## Economic Research Service

ERS issues several hundred reports per year covering a broad array of topics, including farm economics, food economics, foreign agriculture and trade, land and water resources, rural development and local government, and agricultural outlook and statistics.

Keeping up with new ERS titles is easy. Just tell us to put your name on the free mailing for ERS Abstracts, a newsletter published several times each year. It keeps you up to date on new reports by giving titles, abstracts, prices, and ordering information. Each issue includes subscription information for all ERS periodicals as well. To have your name put on the list, send us the enclosed coupon.

Research Reports. ERS publishes 50-80 research reports per year. Each one focuses on a single issue and is assigned a unique number in a USDA series. The most frequently used series are: Agricultural Economic Reports, Foreign Agricultural Economic Reports, Rural Development Research Reports, and Agriculture Information Bulletins.

Periodicals. ERS research is also reported in several periodicals: Agricultural Outlook, Agricultural Economics Research, Economic Indicators of the Farm Sector, Farmline, Foreign Agricultural Trade of the United States, National Food Review, and 14 outlook and situation reports.

## Where to Buy Them

GPO sells about half of all ERS research reports (those with sufficient sales potential) and all ERS periodicals and outlook and situation reports. Most research reports cost about \$5. Subscriptions (through GPO) for most ERS periodicals and outlook and situation reports are under \$10/year.

NTIS sells research reports and periodicals on both paper and microfiche. NTIS is also a permanent archive of ERS



publications dating from October 1975. Prices for paper copies from NTIS are usually higher than paper copies from GPO, but NTIS also offers microfiche copies at \$4.50 per title.

#### Reports by Computer

Summaries of outlook and situation reports, and abstracts of research reports are available to subscribers of DIALCOM and AGNET, computer information networks. AGNET also carries the complete text of every outlook and situation report. For more information, call DIALCOM at (301) 588-1572 or AGNET at (402) 472-1892.

#### World Agricultural Outlook Board

The World Agricultural Outlook Board issues World Supply and Demand Estimates reports, which provides frequent USDA estimates of the global supply, use, trade, and ending stocks of major agricultural commodities. Subscriptions are \$30/year from GPO.

#### Statistical Reporting Service

SRS collects data on crops, livestock, prices, stocks, and farm labor and issues USDA's official estimates of U.S. agriculture. The Crop Reporting Board of SRS publishes 36 titles, most of which are serials, for a total of more than 300 scheduled reports released each year. In addition, 44 State field offices release reports with more local emphasis. These current agricultural statistics are used by all those who need to know about the current season's crop production or storage or the current livestock inventory. SRS statistics are a primary data source for analysts. Most SRS reports are released over computer networks, with nearly all titles available on the Martin Marietta Data Services Systems (301-982-6500) and major reports available on DIALCOM.

#### Where to Buy Them

GPO sells subscriptions for SRS periodicals. Single-issue titles<sup>2</sup> can be purchased directly from the Crop Reporting Board. To receive a catalog and a 1983 calendar of release dates, return the enclosed coupon. Microfiche copies of reports are also sold by commercial vendors. e.g., Congressional Information Service in Bethesda, Maryland.

Just off the press from the Crop Reporting Board is Agricultural Statistics, 1982, a comprehensive reference with over 700 tables (\$8.50 from GPO). The Board also maintains certain historical data series at the county, State, and national levels on computer tapes that can be purchased. Check the coupon for a catalog of available tapes.

SRS and the National Weather Service jointly issue The Weekly Weather and Crop Bulletin. Subscriptions are \$25/year from NOAA/USDA Joint Agricultural Weather Facility, Rm. 5844-S, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250. Make checks payable to U.S. Dept. of Commerce, NOAA.

#### Searching for Citations

The AGRICOLA, GPO, and NTIS databases are searchable through DIALOG and BRS. The AG-ECON subfile of AGRICOLA provides the most comprehensive coverage of ERS publications. Citations in AG-ECON contains keywords and abstracts in addition to standard bibliographic data. The GPO and NTIS databases contain selected

ERS reports and include prices for paper copy or microfiche. USDA's economic reports are also cited in commercial databases such as the American Statistical Index.

### Recap

Even though research reports are no longer free, ERS, SRS, and WAOB do put out free circulars to notify clients of what reports are available, how much they cost, and where they can be purchased. To receive such literature, please send us the enclosed coupon, after having checked off the circulars you want.


For more specific information, here are some telephone numbers that might be helpful:

ERS reports--Ben Blankenship (202) 447-4230.

SRS reports--Jerry Clampet (202) 447-7017.

WAOB reports--Sally Michael, (202) 447-5447.

GPO order desk--(202) 783-3238.

NTIS order desk--(202) 487-4780. 

### CORNELL UNIVERSITY LIBRARIES

Ithaca, New York 14853

Albert R. Mann Library

#### JOB OPENINGS

CIRCULATION/RESERVE LIBRARIAN. Manages a large reserve operation, circulation services, and stack/collection management activities. Major responsibilities include personnel management of 10 FTE support staff and 60 student assistants, preparing management information documents, public relations, and planning for automation. May participate in reference and collection development. Rank and salary dependent on experience and qualifications.

REFERENCE LIBRARIAN. Under the direction of the Head of Reference, provides reference service, assists in a growing bibliographic instruction program, performs computer searches, prepares library publications, and may assume responsibility for collection development (selection, weeding, and management) in assigned subject areas. Apply by June 1. Available July 1983. Rank and salary dependent on experience and qualifications.

CHINESE AGRICULTURE SUBJECT SPECIALIST. Selection, acquisition, and cataloging of Chinese language materials in the field of agriculture. Includes expanding an active exchange program and all aspects of cataloging monographs and serials. Provides reference service and acts as liaison with faculty and students; hosts visiting scholars. Additional responsibilities include selection and subject cataloging of western language materials selected areas of agricultural and life sciences. Apply by July 29. Available September 1983. Rank and salary dependent on experience and qualifications. Send resume listing 3 references to Carolyn Pyhtila, 201 Olin Library, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853. An Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action Employer.





## NEW BIBLIOGRAPHIES

**THE CASE FOR LAND VALUE TAXATION.**  
Harry Gunnison Brown. New York, Robert  
Schalkenbach Foundation, 1980. ISBN  
0911312501. \$12.50. Order from  
Foundation. (NAL call no.:  
HJ4165.B76).

**INTERNATIONAL SOYBEAN BIBLIOGRAPHY.**  
Empresa Brasileira de Pesquisa  
Agropecuaria, 1983. 3 vols.  
U.S. \$175. Subscriptions received  
prior to September 30, 1983, priced at  
\$U.S. 150.00. Order from BIOSIS User  
Services, 2100 Arch Street,  
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1399.

**LAND RECLAMATION: PHYSICAL RESTORATION  
OF SOIL AFTER MINING: A SELECTIVE  
BIBLIOGRAPHY.** D. J. McQueen.  
(Wellington), Dept. of Scientific and  
Industrial Research, 1982. (New  
Zealand Soil Bureau Bibliographic  
Report 29.) 47 p. Free. Request from  
Publisher, Wellington, New Zealand.  
(NAL call no.: Z5074.S7N4 No. 29).  
**METHODS OF FOOD INTAKE ASSESSMENT--AN  
ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY.** Nora J.  
Krantzler, Barbara J. Mullen, Elizabeth  
M. Comstock, et al. In Journal of  
Education. v. 14 (3), 108-119. Sept.  
1982. (NAL call no.: TX341.J6).

**SCIENTIFIC POLICY, RESEARCH, AND  
DEVELOPMENT IN CANADA: A BIBLIOGRAPHY:**  
Supplement Covering Period June  
1979-June 1981. Prepared for the  
Canada Institute for Scientific and  
Technical Information. J. D. Babbitt.  
Ottawa, National Research Council of  
Canada, 1981. 104 p. Price  
unavailable. Order from Council. (NAL  
call no.: Z7405.P8B3 1981).

## BIBLIOGRAPHIC CLEARANCES

As prescribed in 2AR82, USDA agencies,  
including field installations, must obtain  
authorization from the National  
Agricultural Library before beginning  
compilation of a bibliography. Request for  
clearances should be submitted to  
Bibliographic Clearance Officer,  
Educational Resources Staff, Office of the  
Director, National Agricultural Library,  
Beltsville, MD 20705 (301-344-3937).

The following proposals for bibliographies  
were cleared in March:

**AQUACULTURE BIBLIOGRAPHY.** John Forbes and  
Charles N. Bebee, Compilers. For further  
information contact F&SP, National  
Agricultural Library, Beltsville, MD 20705  
(301-344-3834).

**BIBLIOGRAPHY OF DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS  
WRITTEN ON HONEY BEES (APIS MELLIFERA) IN  
THE UNITED STATES BETWEEN 1861 AND 1962.**  
Stephen L. Buchmann, Compiler. For further  
information contact Stephen L. Buchmann,  
Research Entomologist, Honey Bee Crop  
Pollination Research Unit, Carl Hayden Bee  
Research Center, 2000 East Allen Road,  
Tucson, AZ 85710.

**A PARTIAL BIBLIOGRAPHY ON MANAGEMENT OF  
NON-GAME BIRDS IN THE SOUTHEAST, 1960-1980.**  
James G. Dickson, Wayne R. Marion, William  
C. McComb, and John J. Moriarty. For  
further information contact Howard Mobley,  
Group Leader, Information & Publications  
Services, Southern Forest Experiment  
Station, New Orleans, LA 70113.

**SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY OF INSECT-VASCULAR  
PLANT ASSOCIATIONAL STUDIES.** John M.  
Kingsolver, Suzanne W. T. Batra, and Joyce  
A. Utmar, Compilers. For information  
contact John M. Kingsolver, Systematic  
Entomology Laboratory, USDA, c/o U.S.  
National Museum NHB168, Washington, D.C.  
20560.

**WATER RELATIONS OF WESTERN CONIFERS.**  
William Lopushkinsky, Compiler. For  
further information contact USDA, Forest  
Service, Forestry Sciences Laboratory, 1133  
N. Western Ave., Wenatchee, WA 98801.



## NEW PUBLICATIONS OF NOTE

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AGRIBUSINESS IN AFRICA. Barbara Dinham and Colin Hines. London, Earth Resources Research, Ltd., 1983.

4.95/U.S. \$10 plus 0.65/U.S. \$2.50 per copy for postage and packing. Order from Earth Resources Research 258, Pentonville Rd., London N1 9JY, England.

AGRO-PESTICIDES: THEIR MANAGEMENT AND APPLICATION. Jan H. Oudenjans.

Bangkok, Thailand, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations, 1982. 205 p. Price not available. ISBN 974-8606-080-2. Request from The ARSAP/FADINAP Project, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Building, Rajadamnern Ave., Bangkok 2, Thailand. A manual for instructors of pesticides distributors, storekeepers, and professional applicators.

CONTROL OF URBAN STORMWATER RUNOFF BY DETENTION AND RETENTION. Richard H. McCuen, Stuart G. Walesh, and Walter J. Rawls. Washington, D.C., U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, 1983. 75 p.

(Miscellaneous Publication No. 1428.) Free. Request from Publications Inquiries, Science & Education, USDA, Room 6007-S, 14th & Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250.


CROP PRODUCTION USING COVER CROPS AND SODS AS LIVING MULCHES. Workshop Proceedings, April 21-22, 1982. Corvallis, International Plant Protection Center, Oregon State University, 1982. 124 p. (IPPC document 45-A-82.) \$10.00 inc. post. Order from the IPPC, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331.

ENERGY FROM BIOMASS: LAND ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION OF SUPPLY MODELS. S-Y Shin, et al. Prepared for U.S. Department of Energy, January 1982. \$8.50 paper. Available from: National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161. Order No.: DE83-003333.

IMPROVED FOOD DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES FOR NORTHEASTERN NEW JERSEY. Washington, D.C., U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1983. 118 p. (Marketing Research Report No. 1133). Free. Request from Publications Manager, Room 2638-S, Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA, 14th & Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250.

NO-TILLAGE CROP PRODUCTION IN THE TROPICS.

Proceedings of a symposium held August 1981, at Monrovia, Liberia, sponsored by the West African Weed Science Society in collaboration with the West African Rice Development Association. I.O. Akobundu, ed. Corvallis, Published for the West African and International Weed Science Societies by the International Plant Protection Center, Oregon State University, 1983. 235 p. U.S. \$25.00, including surface postage. Request from Dr. I. O. Akobundu, West African Weed Sci. Soc., International Inst. of Tropical Agric., PMB5320, Ibadan, Nigeria, or International Weed Sci. Society, c/o IPPC, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331. A limited number of free copies are available to individuals, institutions, or organizations that are BOTH noncommercial and actively working in a less developed nation. Apply to: International Plant Protection Center Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331.

THE IMPACT OF INCREASED GRAIN ALCOHOL PRODUCTION ON AGRICULTURE: A SIMULATION STUDY. S. B. Webb. Prepared for U.S. Department of Energy, December 1980, published September 1982. \$7.00 paper. Available from National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161. 





## NAL PROJECTS AND POLICIES

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on possible ways to strengthen and expand cooperation between CAB and NAL. The AGRICOLA database of NAL, the Commonwealth Agricultural Bureaux files, and the AGRIS database/FAO constitute the major world agricultural bibliographical databases. Possibilities for strengthening relationships lie in coordination of training programs, sharing of bibliographic resources, and coordination of working relations with AGRIS.

-- Joseph Judy, Chief  
Information Systems, NAL  
(301) 344-3813

### COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT

NAL has registered its interest with the Research Libraries Group of the Association of College and Research Libraries in conspectuses being developed on the holdings, collecting level, and collection responsibilities of major U.S. research libraries. In consultation with the Research Libraries Group, NAL has agreed to complete the conspectuses for subjects dealing with agriculture on which its own collections are based. NAL has indicated its interest in also being the prime coordinator among the land-grant institutions for collection development in agricultural fields.

-- Leslie Kulp, Chief  
Resource Development, NAL  
(301) 344-3825

### GRAIN DUST SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER

Analysis of resources and planning for a Center at NAL are in progress at NAL. Searches have been conducted of relevant databases to identify pertinent documents. Publications not already in the NAL collection will be acquired either in print copy, microfilm, or microfiche. Appropriate tags will identify the publications in the AGRICOLA database.

-- Sheldon Cheney  
D.C. Branch Library, NAL  
(202) 447-3434

### TROPICAL SOILS ADJUNCT FILE

The EKI, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri, has been awarded the contract to key approximately 3,000 India and Far Eastern Tropical Soils citations into this file, which will substantially complete the retrospective effort. A.C. Orvedal has met with NAL staff to work out procedures for updating and extending the file, taking advantage of post-1969 AGRICOLA records where possible. It is expected that this effort will be funded cooperatively with the U.S. Agency for International Development.

-- Wallace C. Olsen, Chief  
Field & Special Programs  
NAL  
(301) 344-3834

### CONSER

A request has been forwarded to the Library of Congress to reactivate NAL participation in the CONSER Project and to assume national responsibility for the coordination and quality control of information on current agricultural journals, periodicals, and serials input into this project. NAL has also requested that the Library of Congress designate to NAL national responsibility for maintaining name authority records for current agricultural serial publications.

-- Leslie Kulp, Chief  
Resource Development, NAL  
(301) 344-3825

### AB/AGRICOLA

Initial discussions have been held with Elaine Cook, U.S. representative of the Commonwealth Agricultural Bureaux (CAB)



## AGRICULTURE DATEBOOK

June 26-29: AMERICAN DAIRY SCIENCE ASSOCIATION. University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. Contact: Claude J. Cruse, Exec. Sec., 309 W. Clark Street, Champaign, IL 61820.

June 26-30: AMERICAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY. Iowa State University, Ames, IA. Contact: R. J. Tarleton, Exec. V.P., 3340 Pilot Knob Road, St. Paul, MN 55121.

July 17-21: AMERICAN VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. New York Hilton and Sheraton Center, NY. Contact: Russell G. Rongren, Dir. Bus. Div., 930 N. Meacham Road, Schaumburg, IL 60196.

July 30-August 4: AMERICAN SOYBEAN ASSOCIATION. Opryland, Nashville, TN. Contact: Ken R. Bader, Chief Exec. Off., Box 27300, Craig Road, St. Louis, MO 63141.

July 31-August 3: "RESOURCE INFORMATION FOR CONSERVATION DECISIONS." 38TH ANNUAL MEETING. SOIL CONSERVATION SOCIETY OF AMERICA. Parkview Hilton Hotel, Hartford, CT. Contact: Max Schnepf, Ankeny, IA 50021. Telephone: (501) 289-2331.

July 31-August 3: AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIC ASSOCIATION. Purdue University Lafayette, IN. Contact: Sydney C. James, Sec.-Treas., Dept. Economics, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011.


August 9-10: POULTRY SCIENCE ASSOCIATION. University of Maryland, College Park, MD. Contact: Claude J. Cruse, Exec. Sec., 309 W. Clark Street, Champaign, IL 61820.

August 14-19: SOLAR WORLD CONGRESS. Perth, Western Australia. Congress Coordinator: Solar World Congress, Perth 1983, GPO Box X2275, Perth W.A. 6001 Australia.

August 14-19: AMERICAN SOCIETY OF AGRONOMY, CROP SCIENCE SOCIETY OF AMERICA AND SOIL SCIENCE SOCIETY OF AMERICA. Annual meetings, Washington, D.C. Contact: Washington Annual Meetings, ASA, CSSA, SSSA Headquarters Office, 677 South Segoe Road, Madison WI 53711.

September 10-14: INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AGENCIES. 73rd Annual Meeting. Red Carpet Hotel, Milwaukee, WI.

September 19-20: 7TH INTERNATIONAL INDUSTRIAL WOOD ENERGY FORUM. Nashville, TN. Contact: FPRS, 2801 Marshall Court, Madison, WI 53705.

October 2-6: PRODUCTIVITY IN THE INFORMATION AGE. Annual meeting of the American Society for Information Science. Crystal City, Arlington, VA. Contact: Edmond Sawyer, Conference Chairman, ASIS Headquarters, 1010 16th St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. (202) 659-3644. 

The Agricultural History Society, University of Missouri-Columbia, and Soil Conservation Service announce a Symposium on the History of Soil and Water Conservation at Columbia, Missouri, May 24-26, 1984. Susan Flader of the university and Douglas Helms of SCS are the symposium coordinators. Please submit proposals and requests for information to Douglas Helms, Historian, SCS-USDA, P. O. Box 2890, Washington, D.C. 20013, by September 10, 1983.

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